(a) the percentage of tribal people living below the poverty line both in rural and urban areas of the country, particularly in the North-Eastern Region; and

(b) the effective measures being taken by Government to provide the basic facilities i.e. health, education, housing, clothing etc. to the tribal people of the country?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) The percentage of tribal people living below poverty line in the country is (i) 51.94% in rural areas and (ii) 41.14% in urban areas as per the estimates made in 1993-94 by the Planning Commission Special estimates for North eastern Region have not been made by the Planning Commission.

(b) Various measures are being taken like implementation of various schemes by the State and Central Govts. to provide basic facilities under Minimum Needs Programme as well as other programmes.

Proposal to include more Tehsils under Tribal sub-plan in Rajasthan

†1945. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has sent a proposal to the Central Government for inclusion of ten more tehsils under the tribal sub-plan area;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when a decision will be taken by Government on the said proposal?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal *inter-alia* included ten tehsils of five districts, namely, Udaipur, Rajasmand, Chittorgarh, Sirohi and Pali.

(c) The state Government has yet to submit complete information to examine the proposal.

Community Hall constructed by DDA in Adhchini Village

1946. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.